

1724 Connecticut Avenue, NW  
voters  
Washington, DC 20009  
(202) 234-5570

Interviews: 1,010 registered

Dates: October 28-30, 2006

48 Male  
52 Female  
[109]

## FINAL

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**Please note: all results are shown as percentages unless otherwise stated.**

**The margin of error for 1,010 interviews is  $\pm 3.1\%$**

*Unless otherwise noted by a "+", all previous data shown reflects responses among all adults.*

1. First, can you tell me if you are currently registered to vote at this address?

Registered.....	100	<b>CONTINUE</b>	<b>[138]</b>
Not registered.....	-	<b>TERMINATE</b>	
Not sure .....	-		

2. All in all, do you think that things in the nation are generally headed in the right direction, or do you feel that things are off on the wrong track?

	10/28- 30/06+	10/13- 16/06+	9/30- 10/2/06+	9/8- 11/06+	7/06		High	Low	[139]
					All Adults	Reg. Voters+	9/01	7/92+	
Headed in the right direction....	29	26	29	31	27	29	72	14	[139]
Off on the wrong track.....	56	61	58	54	60	59	11	71	
Mixed (VOL).....	13	11	11	12	11	11	11	9	
Not sure.....	2	2	2	3	2	1	6	6	

6/06					
All Adults	Reg. Voters+	4/06	3/06	1/06	12/05
27	28	24	26	31	30
61	60	67	62	57	59
10	10	7	9	10	8
2	2	2	3	2	3

11/05	10/05	9/05	7/05	5/05	4/05	2/05
26	28	32	34	35	34	42
63	59	57	52	52	51	48
8	10	8	12	10	12	8
3	3	3	2	3	3	2

1/05	12/04	10/04+	9/04+	8/04+	7/04+	6/04+
40	41	39	39	36	36	36

47	46	48	49	50	48	48
10	11	10	10	12	14	14
3	2	3	2	2	2	2

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Q.2 (cont'd)

	<u>5/04+</u>	<u>3/04</u>	<u>1/04</u>	<u>12/14/03</u>	<u>12/13/03</u>	<u>11/03</u>	<u>9/03</u>	<u>7/03</u>	<u>5/03+</u>
Headed in the right direction.....	33	41	47	56	41	43	38	42	49
Off on the wrong track.....	50	49	43	30	48	47	50	44	38
Mixed (VOL).....	14	5	6	9	8	6	8	9	8
Not sure.....	3	5	4	5	3	3	4	4	5
	<u>4/03</u>	<u>1/03</u>	<u>12/02</u>	<u>10/02+</u>	<u>9/02</u>	<u>7/02</u>	<u>6/02</u>	<u>4/02</u>	<u>1/02</u>
	62	36	43	44	42	40	52	53	62
	22	47	42	42	43	42	31	28	20
	13	14	13	14	12	14	14	15	14
	3	3	2	-	3	4	3	4	4
	<u>12/01</u>	<u>9/01</u>	<u>6/01</u>	<u>1/01</u>	<u>10/00</u>				
	70	72	43	45	48				
	15	11	39	36	32				
	12	11	14	15	18				
	3	6	4	4	2				

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3a. For statistical purposes only, would you please tell me how old you are? (IF "REFUSED," ASK:) Well, would you tell me which age group you belong to? +

18-24.....	5	<b>[140-141]</b>
25-29.....	6	
30-34.....	11	
35-39.....	7	
40-44.....	9	
45-49.....	11	
50-54.....	9	
55-59.....	11	
60-64.....	9	
65-69.....	7	
70-74.....	6	
75 and over.....	9	
Refused.....	-	

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3b. To ensure that we have a representative sample, would you please tell me whether you are from a Hispanic or Spanish-speaking background? +

Yes, Hispanic.....	8	<b>[142]</b>
No, not Hispanic.....	92	
Not sure/refused.....	-	

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3c. And again, for statistical purposes only, what is your race—white, black, Asian, or something else? +

White.....	79	<b>[143]</b>
Black.....	10	
Asian.....	1	
Other.....	2	
Hispanic (VOL).....	7	
Not sure/refused.....	1	

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4. In general, do you approve or disapprove of the job that George W. Bush is doing as president?

	<u>10/28- 30/06+</u>	<u>10/13- 16/06+</u>	<u>9/30- 10/2/06+</u>	<u>9/8- 11/06+</u>	<u>7/06</u>		<u>High</u>	<u>Low</u>	[144]
					<u>All Adults</u>	<u>Reg. Voters+</u>	<u>11/01</u>	<u>4/06</u>	
Approve.....	39	38	39	42	39	40	88	36	
Disapprove.....	57	57	56	53	56	55	7	57	
Not sure.....	4	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	

<u>6/06</u>							
<u>All Adults</u>	<u>Reg. Voters+</u>	<u>4/06</u>	<u>3/06</u>	<u>1/06</u>	<u>12/05</u>	<u>11/05</u>	
37	38	36	37	39	39	38	
58	57	57	58	54	55	57	
5	5	7	5	7	6	5	
<u>10/05</u>	<u>9/05</u>	<u>7/05</u>	<u>5/05</u>	<u>4/05</u>	<u>2/05</u>	<u>1/05</u>	
39	40	46	47	48	50	50	
54	55	49	47	46	45	44	
7	5	5	6	6	5	6	
<u>12/04</u>	<u>10/04+</u>	<u>9/04+</u>	<u>8/04+</u>	<u>7/04+</u>	<u>6/04+</u>	<u>5/04+</u>	
49	49	47	47	48	45	47	
44	47	48	48	46	49	46	
7	4	5	5	6	6	7	
<u>3/04</u>	<u>1/04</u>	<u>12/14/03</u>	<u>12/13/03</u>	<u>11/03</u>	<u>9/03</u>	<u>7/03</u>	
50	54	58	52	51	49	56	
46	41	34	41	44	45	38	
5	6	9	7	5	6	6	
<u>5/03+</u>	<u>4/03</u>	<u>3/29- 30/03</u>	<u>3/23/03</u>	<u>3/17/03</u>	<u>2/03<sup>1</sup></u>	<u>1/03</u>	
62	71	66	67	62	61	54	
31	23	29	28	33	31	40	
7	6	5	5	5	8	6	
<u>10/02+</u>	<u>9/02</u>	<u>7/02</u>	<u>6/02</u>	<u>5/02</u>	<u>4/02</u>	<u>4/01</u>	
63	64	67	69	75	74	57	
31	30	27	23	18	20	22	
6	6	6	8	7	6	21	

<sup>1</sup> Overnight poll conducted after Colin Powell's speech to the United Nations.

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	<u>10/28-30/06+*</u>	<u>10/13-16/06+</u>	<u>9/30-10/2/06</u> +	<u>9/8-11/06+</u>	<u>7/06</u> <u>All Adults</u> <u>Reg. Voters+</u>		<u>High</u> <u>12/01</u>	<u>Low</u> <u>11/05</u>	[145]										
Approve.....	46	44	41	43	41	43	63	34											
Disapprove.....	48	52	53	52	53	52	25	60											
Not sure.....	6	4	6	5	6	5	12	6											
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6/06																			
<u>All Adults</u>	<u>Reg. Voters+</u>																		
38	39																		
56	56																		
6	5																		
	<u>9/05</u>	<u>7/05</u>	<u>5/05</u>	<u>4/05</u>	<u>2/05</u>	<u>1/05</u>	<u>12/04</u>												
	40	39	43	41	46	47	44												
	55	54	51	53	50	47	51												
	5	7	6	6	4	6	5												
	<u>10/04+</u>	<u>9/04+</u>	<u>8/04+</u>	<u>6/04+</u>	<u>5/04+</u>	<u>3/04</u>	<u>1/04</u>												
	45	45	43	45	41	45	49												
	52	51	52	49	53	51	45												
	3	4	5	6	6	4	6												
<u>12/13/03</u>	<u>11/03</u>	<u>9/03</u>	<u>7/03</u>	<u>5/03+</u>	<u>4/03</u>	<u>1/03</u>	<u>12/02</u>												
48	50	43	45	47	49	44	47												
46	44	52	48	45	42	49	45												
6	5	6	7	8	9	7	8												
<u>10/02+</u>	<u>9/02</u>	<u>7/02</u>	<u>6/02</u>	<u>4/02</u>	<u>1/02</u>	<u>12/01</u>	<u>4/01</u>												
48	48	49	57	61	63	63	52												
44	43	43	34	30	27	25	27												
8	9	8	9	9	10	12	21												

5b. In general, do you approve or disapprove of the job that George W. Bush is doing in handling the situation in Iraq?

				7/06		6/06			
	10/28- 30/06+**	10/13- 16/06+	9/8- 11/06+	All Adults	Reg. Voters+	All Adults	Reg. Voters+	4/06	
Approve.....	34	33	38	34	35	35	36	33	[146]
Disapprove.....	63	63	57	61	60	61	61	62	
Not sure.....	3	4	5	5	5	4	3	5	
		<u>3/06</u>	<u>1/06</u>	<u>12/05</u>	<u>11/05</u>	<u>9/05</u>	<u>7/05</u>	<u>5/05</u>	
		35	39	36	32	37	39	44	
		61	56	60	64	58	55	52	
		4	5	4	4	5	6	4	

\*\* Asked of one-half the respondents (FORM B/D).  
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6. Now I'm going to read you the names of several public figures and organizations, and I'd like you to rate your feelings toward each one as either very positive, somewhat positive, neutral, somewhat negative, or very negative. If you don't know the name, please just say so.

	<u>Very Positive</u>	<u>Somewhat Positive</u>	<u>Neutral</u>	<u>Somewhat Negative</u>	<u>Very Negative</u>	<u>Don't Know Name/ Not Sure</u>	
<b>George W. Bush</b>							<b>[147]</b>
October 28-30, 2006+.....	23	17	10	14	36	-	
October 13-16, 2006+.....	19	20	9	15	37	-	
September 30-October 2, 2006+....	22	18	10	14	35	1	
September 8-11, 2006+.....	23	19	9	13	36	-	
July 2006							
All Adults.....	21	18	10	15	36	-	
Registered voters+.....	21	19	10	14	36	-	
June 2006							
All Adults.....	18	21	9	15	37	-	
Registered voters+.....	18	22	7	16	37	-	
April 2006.....	19	20	9	15	37	-	
March 2006.....	20	19	11	14	36	-	
January 2006.....	24	17	12	13	33	1	
December 2005.....	23	19	10	13	35	-	
November 2005.....	20	18	12	15	35	-	
October 2005.....	21	20	11	17	31	-	
September 2005.....	24	18	10	14	34	-	
July 2005.....	27	20	10	15	28	-	
May 2005.....	27	22	10	12	29	-	
April 2005.....	28	20	11	16	25	-	
February 2005.....	31	20	9	13	27	-	
January 2005.....	32	19	9	15	25	-	
October 2004+.....	36	14	6	13	31	-	
June 2004+.....	33	15	8	14	30	-	
January 2004.....	38	17	8	13	24	-	
September 2003.....	35	17	9	15	23	1	
July 2003.....	38	21	9	14	17	-	
January 2003.....	36	20	12	16	16	-	
October 2002+.....	37	24	11	12	15	1	
July 2002.....	40	26	11	11	12	-	
June 2001.....	30	23	16	15	15	1	
January 2001.....	25	25	18	13	17	2	
<i>High</i>							
December 2001.....	54	26	9	6	5	-	
<i>Low</i>							
November 2005.....	20	18	12	15	35	-	

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Q.6 (cont'd)

	<u>Very Positive</u>	<u>Somewhat Positive</u>	<u>Neutral</u>	<u>Somewhat Negative</u>	<u>Very Negative</u>	<u>Don't Know Name/ Not Sure</u>	
<b>The Democratic Party</b>							<b>[148]</b>
October 28-30, 2006+.....	14	25	25	18	17	1	
October 13-16, 2006+.....	11	26	26	19	16	2	
September 30-October 2, 2006+....	9	29	26	17	17	2	
September 8-11, 2006+.....	11	23	24	21	19	2	
July 2006							
All Adults.....	7	25	27	22	17	2	
Registered voters+.....	7	23	26	24	18	2	
June 2006							
All Adults.....	10	25	25	22	17	1	
Registered voters+.....	9	24	25	23	18	1	
April 2006.....	9	24	27	23	16	1	
March 2006.....	8	24	30	22	15	1	
January 2006.....	11	25	28	20	15	1	
November 2005.....	8	25	29	20	16	2	
October 2005.....	10	24	32	19	13	2	
September 2005.....	11	26	29	18	14	2	
July 2005.....	9	25	28	22	14	2	
May 2005.....	12	26	26	20	14	2	
February 2005.....	14	28	28	16	13	1	
December 2004.....	18	26	22	19	14	1	
October 2004+.....	17	25	22	16	19	1	
September 2004+.....	16	26	20	18	19	1	
August 2004+.....	17	24	23	16	19	1	
July 2004+.....	16	25	24	19	14	2	
September 2003.....	11	29	22	19	16	3	
July 2003.....	11	25	25	20	16	3	
December 2002.....	13	27	27	16	15	2	
July 2002.....	10	29	25	21	13	2	
July 2000+.....	19	27	24	15	14	1	
<i>High</i>							
January 2000.....	20	30	23	15	10	2	
<i>Low</i>							
July 2006.....	7	25	27	22	17	2	

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Q.6 (cont'd)

	<u>Very Positive</u>	<u>Somewhat Positive</u>	<u>Neutral</u>	<u>Somewhat Negative</u>	<u>Very Negative</u>	<u>Don't Know Name/ Not Sure</u>	
<b>The Republican Party</b>							<b>[149]</b>
October 28-30, 2006+.....	15	20	16	20	28	1	
October 13-16, 2006+.....	11	21	18	19	30	1	
September 30-October 2, 2006+....	11	26	18	17	27	1	
September 8-11, 2006+.....	13	24	17	20	25	1	
July 2006							
All Adults.....	11	22	18	21	25	3	
Registered voters+.....	11	23	17	21	26	2	
June 2006							
All Adults.....	10	24	18	21	26	1	
Registered voters+.....	10	25	17	21	26	1	
April 2006.....	9	26	20	21	22	2	
March 2006.....	10	24	21	22	21	2	
January 2006.....	13	24	20	20	22	1	
November 2005.....	9	23	23	19	24	2	
October 2005.....	13	23	23	20	19	2	
September 2005.....	14	23	20	19	22	2	
July 2005.....	12	26	20	21	20	1	
May 2005.....	13	27	17	19	22	2	
February 2005.....	17	27	19	18	18	1	
December 2004.....	19	27	18	16	18	2	
October 2004+.....	20	24	18	15	22	1	
September 2004+.....	21	22	16	18	22	1	
August 2004+.....	18	26	17	16	22	1	
July 2004+.....	18	25	20	18	18	1	
September 2003.....	17	26	17	19	18	3	
July 2003.....	18	30	16	16	16	3	
December 2002.....	21	26	22	15	14	2	
July 2002.....	18	25	22	17	14	4	
July 2000+.....	15	28	24	16	15	2	
<i>High</i>							
December 2001.....	21	36	18	13	9	3	
<i>Low</i>							
October 1992+.....	10	21	19	23	24	3	

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Q.6 (cont'd)

	<u>Very Positive</u>	<u>Somewhat Positive</u>	<u>Neutral</u>	<u>Somewhat Negative</u>	<u>Very Negative</u>	<u>Don't Know Name/ Not Sure</u>	
<b>Donald Rumsfeld</b>							<b>[150]</b>
October 28-30, 2006+.....	10	16	17	15	34	8	
April 2006.....	11	19	18	16	26	10	
December 2005.....	11	20	18	15	27	9	
July 2005.....	11	19	19	15	22	14	
January 2005.....	15	24	16	11	23	11	
December 2004.....	11	23	17	14	24	11	
May 2004+.....	16	23	18	14	19	10	
November 2003.....	18	25	15	11	19	12	
September 2003.....	21	26	15	11	14	13	
July 2003.....	21	25	15	13	15	12	
May 2003+.....	27	25	13	8	13	14	
June 2002.....	23	24	19	8	6	20	
December 2001.....	30	26	16	4	3	21	
<i>High</i>							
December 2001.....	30	26	16	4	3	21	
<i>Low</i>							
April 2006.....	11	19	18	16	26	10	
<b>Barack Obama</b>							<b>[151]</b>
October 28-30, 2006+.....	14	17	18	5	6	40	

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7. Please tell me how interested you are in the upcoming elections, using a scale from one to ten, on which a ten means that you are very interested in the upcoming elections, and a one means that you are not at all interested. You may choose any number from one to ten, depending on how interested you are.

	<u>10/28- 30/06+</u>	<u>10/13- 16/06+</u>	<u>9/30- 10/2/06+</u>	<u>9/8- 11/06+</u>	<u>7/06+</u>	<u>6/06+</u>	<u>4/06+</u>	<u>3/06+</u>	<u>1/06+</u>	
10, very interested.....	51	53	46	47	51	47	49	45	46	<b>[152-153]</b>
9.....	9	8	9	8	9	8	7	7	7	
8.....	15	14	17	16	17	17	17	18	15	
7.....	10	7	12	10	10	9	10	11	12	
6.....	4	6	5	5	4	5	5	5	5	
5.....	6	5	6	8	6	8	7	7	7	
4.....	1	2	1	2	2	1	2	1	2	
3.....	1	1	2	1	-	2	-	2	1	
2.....	1	1	-	-	-	1	1	1	1	
1, not interested at all.....	2	3	2	2	1	2	2	3	4	
Cannot rate.....	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	

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8. What is your preference for the outcome of this year's congressional elections—a Congress controlled by Republicans or a Congress controlled by Democrats?

	<u>10/28-30/06+</u>	<u>10/13-16/06+</u>	<u>9/30-10/2/06+</u>	<u>9/8-11/06+</u>	<u>7/06+</u>	<u>6/06+</u>	<u>4/06+</u>	
Republican-controlled Congress. .	37	37	39	39	38	38	39	[154]
Democrat-controlled Congress.....	52	52	48	48	48	49	45	
Not sure.....	11	11	13	13	14	13	16	
		<u>3/06+</u>	<u>1/06+</u>	<u>12/05+</u>	<u>11/05+</u>	<u>10/05+</u>	<u>7/05+</u>	
		37	38	38	37	39	40	
		50	47	46	48	48	45	
		13	15	16	15	13	15	
		<u>5/05+</u>	<u>10/04+</u>	<u>9/04+</u>	<u>6/04+</u>	<u>5/04+</u>	<u>3/04+</u>	
		40	43	42	42	41	42	
		47	44	46	44	44	45	
		13	13	12	14	15	13	
		<u>1/04</u>	<u>12/13/03</u>	<u>10/02+</u>	<u>9/02</u>	<u>7/02</u>	<u>6/02</u>	
		42	42	43	42	43	42	
		43	42	42	42	41	41	
		15	16	15	16	16	17	
		<u>1/02</u>	<u>12/01</u>	<u>12/99</u>	<u>10/99</u>	<u>7/99</u>	<u>6/99</u>	
		44	42	40	39	39	42	
		40	40	44	41	43	41	
		16	18	16	20	18	17	
		<u>4/99</u>	<u>3/99</u>	<u>10/98+</u>	<u>9/98</u>	<u>7/98</u>	<u>6/98</u>	
		41	37	41	40	41	39	
		40	43	43	39	40	40	
		19	20	16	21	19	21	
		<u>4/99</u>	<u>2/98</u>	<u>1/98</u>	<u>12/97</u>	<u>9/97</u>	<u>7/97</u>	
		41	41	40	41	41	45	
		40	37	42	37	39	39	
		19	22	18	22	20	16	
		<u>4/97</u>	<u>1/96</u>	<u>12/95</u>	<u>10/94</u>			
		44	41	42	44			
		38	38	41	38			
		18	21	17	18			

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- 9a. Which of the following is the single most important reason you plan to vote for the Republican candidate? **(IF MULTIPLE RESPONSES OR "ALL," ASK:)** Well, if you had to choose just one, which would you say is the MOST important reason?<sup>1</sup> +

THIS TABLE HAS BEEN RANKED BY THE HIGHEST PERCENTAGE

Agree with his or her stands on issues such as terrorism and taxes.....	22	[156]
He or she is the best candidate.....	22	
Agree with his or her stands on social issues such as abortion and gay marriage.....	19	
He or she is good on local issues in my area.....	11	
It is a signal of support for President Bush.....	11	
Satisfaction with the condition of the economy.....	7	
He or she supports the Bush policy in Iraq.....	5	
None/other (VOL).....	2	
Not sure.....	1	

<sup>1</sup> Data shown among the 35% of voters who say they plan to vote for the Republican candidate in their district.

+ Results shown reflect responses among registered voters.

- 9b. Which of the following is the single most important reason you plan to vote for the Democratic candidate? **(IF MULTIPLE RESPONSES OR "ALL," ASK:)** Well, if you had to choose just one, which would you say is the MOST important reason?<sup>1</sup> +

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Want a change of course on Iraq.....	20	[157]
Agree with his or her stands on issues such as Social Security and health care.....	15	
Dissatisfied with ethics and corruption in Congress.....	15	
He or she is the best candidate.....	14	
It is a signal of opposition to President Bush.....	14	
Dissatisfaction with the condition of the economy.....	8	
He or she is good on local issues in my area.....	8	
None/other (VOL).....	4	
Not sure.....	2	

<sup>1</sup> Data shown among the 50% of voters who say they plan to vote for the Democratic candidate in their district.

+ Results shown reflect responses among registered voters.

10. Thinking about the Democratic and Republican Parties, would you say there is a great deal of difference in what they stand for, a fair amount of difference or hardly any difference at all?

		All Adults – Pew Research Center									[158]
	10/28-10/30+	9/21-10/4/06	6/03	2/99	3/98	6/97	10/95	7/94	5/90	5/87	
Great deal of difference.....	43	38	29	33	28	25	34	23	24	25	
Fair amount of difference..	41	39	49	46	45	48	46	51	45	45	
Hardly any difference at all	15	18	20	18	23	25	18	24	27	25	
Not sure.....	1	5	2	3	4	2	2	2	4	5	

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Comparative data taken from surveys conducted by the Pew Research Center.

11. Will your vote for Congress this November be a vote to send a signal of support for President Bush, a signal of opposition to President Bush, or not a signal either way about President Bush?

	10/28- 30/06+	10/13- 16/06+	9/30- 10/2/06+	9/8- 11/06+	7/06+	6/06+	
A vote to send signal of support for Bush.....	22	22	28	25	21	21	[159]
A vote to send signal of opposition to Bush....	37	38	39	37	38	38	
Not a signal either way about Bush.....	38	38	31	36	39	39	
Do not plan to vote (VOL).....	1	-	-	-	-	-	
Not sure.....	2	2	2	2	2	2	

	4/06+	3/06+	11/05+	10/02+ <sup>1</sup>	Bill Clinton 10/98+ <sup>2</sup>
	21	20	21	31	28
	31	37	39	19	23
	45	41	36	49	49
	-	-	1	-	NA
	3	2	3	1	-

<sup>1</sup> In October 2002, the question was phrased, "Is your vote for Congress this November a vote to send a signal of support for President Bush, a signal of opposition to President Bush, or not a signal either way about President Bush?"

<sup>2</sup> In October 1998, the question was phrased, "Is your vote for Congress this November a vote to send a signal of support for Bill Clinton, a signal of opposition to Bill Clinton, or not a signal either way about Bill Clinton?"

+ Results shown reflect responses among registered voters.

- 12a. Has what you have seen and heard over the past few weeks made you feel more favorable, less favorable, or had no effect on your feelings about possibly having the Democrats become the majority party in Congress?

	10/28- 30/06+	10/13- 16/06+	9/30- 10/2/06+	
More favorable.....	34	37	34	[167]
Less favorable.....	25	22	23	
No effect.....	38	37	37	
Have not seen/heard enough to say (VOL)...	1	2	4	
Not sure.....	2	2	2	

+ Results shown reflect responses among registered voters.

- 12b. Has what you have seen and heard over the past few weeks made you feel more favorable, less favorable, or had no effect on your feelings about possibly having the Republicans maintain the majority in Congress?

	10/28- 30/06+	10/13- 16/06+	9/30- 10/2/06+	
More favorable.....	19	14	18	[168]
Less favorable.....	40	47	41	
No effect.....	38	35	35	
Have not seen/heard enough to say (VOL)...	1	2	4	
Not sure.....	2	2	2	

+ Results shown reflect responses among registered voters.

13. Of the following issues, please tell me which one or two are going to be most important to you in deciding your vote for Congress in November. **(IF MORE THAN TWO, ASK:)** Well, if you had to pick just one or two, which would they be?

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	10/28- 30/06+	10/13- 16/06+	9/30- 10/2/06+	
The war in Iraq.....	36	35	36	[169-170]
Job creation and economic growth.....	22	24	23	>
Health care.....	18	20	19	
Illegal immigration.....	18	19	20	
Moral values.....	18	13	15	
Social Security and Medicare.....	15	17	16	
Terrorism.....	15	23	22	
The cost of gas and energy.....	8	11	11	
Other (VOL).....	2	1	1	
All equally (VOL).....	13	11	9	
None of these (VOL).....	-	-	-	
Not sure.....	-	-	-	

+ Results shown reflect responses among registered voters.

14. Within the past thirty days have you been directly contacted at your home, either by telephone or in person, by one of the political parties or a congressional campaign? **(IF "YES," ASK:)** Were you contacted by the Republican Party or candidate or the Democratic Party or candidate? +

<b>Yes, Contacted</b> .....	<b>47</b>	
Republican Party/candidate.....	10	[171]
Democratic Party/candidate.....	10	
Both (VOL).....	22	
Don't remember by whom (VOL).....	5	
<b>No, Not Contacted</b> .....	<b>52</b>	
Not sure.....	1	

+ Results shown reflect responses among registered voters.

October 16-18, 2004+	
<b>Yes, Contacted</b> .....	<b>31</b>
Republican Party/Bush campaign.....	9
Democratic Party/Kerry campaign.....	9
Both (VOL).....	10
Do not remember who contacted by (VOL).....	3
<b>No, Not Contacted</b> .....	<b>68</b>
Not Sure.....	1

+ Results shown reflect responses among registered voters.

- 15a. Regardless of which party controls Congress after the election, which one or two of the following do you feel should be the top priorities of the new Congress next year? **(IF MORE THAN TWO OR "ALL," ASK:)** Well, if you had to choose, which would you say should be the TOP one or two priorities? +

THIS TABLE HAS BEEN RANKED BY THE HIGHEST PERCENTAGE

Improve the health care system.....	36	<b>[172-173]</b>
Provide more oversight in Iraq.....	34	>
Make the tax cuts of the past few years permanent.....	21	
Raise the minimum wage.....	17	
Reopen federal funding for new stem cell research.....	14	
Create an immigrant guest worker program.....	13	
Pass new ethics rules in Congress.....	12	
Allow workers to invest some of their Social Security contributions in the stock market.....	12	
Other/none (VOL).....	2	
Not sure.....	2	

+ Results shown reflect responses among registered voters.

- 15b. Many states permit citizens to cast their votes BEFORE Election Day, by returning an absentee ballot or using other early voting procedures that are available to them. Thinking about this year's congressional election, which statement best applies to you? +

I have ALREADY returned an absentee ballot or cast an early vote.....	11	<b>[174]</b>
I have not yet voted, but I plan to return an absentee ballot or cast an early vote BEFORE Election Day.....	12	
I have not yet voted, and I plan to cast my vote in person at my polling place on Election Day.....	75	
Not sure.....	2	

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#### Now thinking ahead to the 2008 election for president . . .

16. If the next election for president were held today, and John McCain were the Republican candidate and Hillary Clinton were the Democratic candidate, for whom would you vote?

	10/28- 30/06+	4/06+	11/05+	
John McCain.....	45	46	44	<b>[175]</b>
Hillary Clinton.....	36	37	42	
Depends (VOL).....	3	3	1	
Neither/other (VOL).....	8	8	6	
Not sure.....	8	6	7	

+ Results shown reflect responses among registered voters.

17. Would you strongly favor, mildly favor, feel neutral about, mildly oppose, or strongly oppose building a new independent political party to run a credible candidate for president?

	10/28- 30/06+	4/06+	
Strongly favor.....	30	31	<b>[176]</b>
Mildly favor.....	18	14	
Feel neutral.....	22	24	
Mildly oppose.....	9	12	
Strongly oppose.....	15	17	
Not sure.....	6	2	

+ Results shown reflect responses among registered voters.

Turning to the war in Iraq . . .

18. When it comes to the war in Iraq, do you think that removing Saddam Hussein from power was or was not worth the number of U.S. military casualties and the financial cost of the war?

		6/06					
	10/28-30/06+	All Adults	Reg. Voters+	4/06	3/06	1/06	
Worth it.....	37	40	41	40	39	42	[177]
Not worth it.....	54	52	51	52	51	48	
Depends (VOL).....	3	4	4	4	6	5	
Not sure.....	6	4	4	4	4	5	
	<u>12/05</u>	<u>11/05</u>	<u>10/05</u>	<u>9/05</u>	<u>7/05</u>	<u>5/05</u>	<u>4/05</u>
	41	40	40	37	44	40	44
	49	52	51	51	49	51	48
	5	5	4	5	4	4	4
	5	3	5	7	3	5	4
	<u>2/05</u>	<u>1/05</u>	<u>12/04</u>	<u>10/04+</u>	<u>9/04+</u>	<u>8/04+</u>	<u>7/04+</u>
	44	40	43	41	40	43	43
	49	52	48	50	52	49	47
	3	3	6	4	3	4	4
	4	5	3	5	5	4	6
	<u>6/04+</u>	<u>5/04+</u>	<u>3/04</u>	<u>1/04</u>	<u>12/14/03</u>	<u>12/13/03</u>	<u>11/03</u>
	40	42	50	52	53	45	45
	51	47	45	40	37	42	46
	5	5	1	2	5	6	3
	4	6	4	5	5	6	5

+ Results shown reflect responses among registered voters.

19. And do you feel more confident or less confident that the war in Iraq will come to a successful conclusion?

			7/06		6/06		
	10/28-30/06+	9/06+	All Adults	Reg. Voters+	All Adults	Reg. Voters+	4/06
More confident.....	27	32	32	32	38	39	33
Less confident.....	61	57	58	58	53	52	57
Depends/some of both (VOL)...	6	6	4	4	5	4	5
Not sure.....	6	5	6	6	4	5	5
	<u>3/06</u>	<u>12/05</u>	<u>11/05</u>	<u>10/05</u>	<u>7/05</u>	<u>5/05</u>	
	32	39	32	35	36	40	
	57	50	58	56	55	50	
	6	6	6	4	5	6	
	5	5	4	5	4	4	
	<u>4/05</u>	<u>2/05</u>	<u>1/05</u>	<u>12/04</u>	<u>10/04+</u>	<u>9/04+</u>	
	44	47	41	41	46	37	
	45	43	48	48	41	53	
	6	5	6	6	8	5	
	5	5	5	5	5	5	

+ Results shown reflect responses among registered voters.

**FACTUALS:** Now I am going to ask you a few questions for statistical purposes only.

- F1. A lot of people are unable to get out and vote for many reasons. Did you happen to vote in the November 2004 election for president? **(IF "YES," ASK:)** For whom did you vote—George W. Bush, John Kerry, or someone else? +

Voted—George W. Bush.....	44	<b>[180]</b>
Voted—John Kerry.....	42	
Voted—someone else.....	4	
Voted—refused (VOL).....	1	
Did not vote.....	7	
Not sure.....	2	

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- F2. Are you currently employed? **(IF CURRENTLY EMPLOYED:)** What type of work do you do?

**(IF NOT CURRENTLY EMPLOYED:)** Are you a student, a homemaker, retired, or unemployed and looking for work? +

<u>Currently Employed</u>		
Professional/ manager.....	23	<b>[208-215]</b>
White-collar worker.....	20	
Blue-collar worker.....	15	
Farmer, rancher.....	-	
<u>Not Currently Employed</u>		
Student.....	2	
Homemaker.....	6	
Retired.....	28	
Unemployed, looking for work.....	3	
Other.....	-	
Not sure.....	3	

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- F3. What is the last grade that you completed in school? +

Grade school.....	1	<b>[216-217]</b>
Some high school.....	4	
High school graduate.....	25	
Some college, no degree.....	15	
Vocational training/2-year college.....	13	
4-year college/bachelor's degree.....	22	
Some postgraduate work, no degree.....	3	
2 or 3 years' postgraduate work/master's degree.....	13	
Doctoral/law degree.....	2	
Not sure/refused.....	2	

+ Results shown reflect responses among registered voters.



- F4. Generally speaking, do you think of yourself as a Democrat, a Republican, an independent, or something else? **(IF "DEMOCRAT" OR "REPUBLICAN," ASK:)** Would you call yourself a strong (Democrat/Republican) or not a very strong (Democrat/Republican)? **(IF "INDEPENDENT," ASK:)** Do you think of yourself as closer to the Republican Party, closer to the Democratic Party, or do you think of yourself as strictly independent? +

Strong Democrat.....	21	<b>[218]</b>
Not very strong Democrat.....	7	
Independent/lean Democrat.....	15	
Strictly independent.....	15	
Independent/lean Republican.....	12	
Not very strong Republican.....	8	
Strong Republican.....	16	
Other.....	4	
Not sure/nothing.....	2	

+ Results shown reflect responses among registered voters.

- F5. Thinking about your general approach to issues, do you consider yourself to be liberal, moderate, or conservative? +

Liberal.....	21	<b>[219]</b>
Moderate.....	37	
Conservative.....	37	
Not sure.....	5	

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- F6a. What is your religion? +

Protestant (includes Baptist, Lutheran, Methodist, Episcopal, Presbyterian, and other Christians).....	51	<b>CONTINUE</b>	<b>[220]</b>
Catholic.....	24		
Jewish.....	1	<b>Skip to Q.F7</b>	
Muslim.....	1		
Other.....	7		
None.....	12	<b>CONTINUE</b>	
Not sure/refused.....	4		

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**(ASK ONLY OF RESPONDENTS WHO SAY "PROTESTANT," "OTHER," "NONE," OR "NOT SURE" IN Q.F6a.)**

- F6b. Would you describe yourself as either a fundamentalist or an evangelical Christian, or would you not describe yourself that way? +

Fundamentalist/evangelical.....	20	<b>[221]</b>
Neither fundamentalist nor evangelical.....	46	
Not sure.....	8	
Catholic/Jewish/Muslim (Q.F6a).....	26	

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F7. How often do you attend services at a church, synagogue, mosque, or other place of worship? +

Never.....	16	<b>[222]</b>
Once a year.....	5	
A few times a year.....	17	
Once a month.....	6	
About twice a month.....	11	
Once a week or more often.....	40	
Not sure.....	5	

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F8. Are you currently single and never married, unmarried and living with a partner, married, separated, widowed, or divorced? +

Single.....	15	<b>[223]</b>
Unmarried, living with partner.....	3	
Married.....	64	
Separated.....	2	
Widowed.....	7	
Divorced.....	7	
Other (VOL).....	-	
Not sure/refused.....	2	

+ Results shown reflect responses among registered voters.

F9. Are you a member of a labor union? (IF "NO," ASK:) Is anyone else in this household a member of a labor union? +

Labor union member.....	11	<b>[224]</b>
Labor union household.....	6	
Non-union household.....	81	
Not sure.....	2	

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F10. If you added together the yearly income of all the members of your family who were living at home last year, would the total be less than ten thousand dollars, between ten thousand dollars and twenty thousand dollars, between twenty thousand dollars and thirty thousand dollars, between thirty thousand dollars and forty thousand dollars, between forty thousand dollars and fifty thousand dollars, between fifty thousand dollars and seventy-five thousand dollars, between seventy-five thousand dollars and one hundred thousand dollars, or would the total be more than that? +

Less than \$10,000.....	3	<b>[225]</b>
Between \$10,000 and \$20,000.....	6	
Between \$20,000 and \$30,000.....	8	
Between \$30,000 and \$40,000.....	10	
Between \$40,000 and \$50,000.....	10	
Between \$50,000 and \$75,000.....	20	
Between \$75,000 and \$100,000.....	14	
More than \$100,000.....	14	
Not sure/refused.....	15	

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